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1. SUMMARY. CHARGE AND ADCM MET RESEARCH MINISTER
SUMITRO JUNE 11 TO DISCUSS SECRETARY'S PROPOSALS.

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SUMITRO WILL PLAY LEADING ROLE IN FORMULATING GOI

RESPONSE AS CHAIRMAN OF MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE PREPARING GOI POSITIONS FOR 7TH SPECIAL GA (REF B). AMONG GOI OFFICIALS, HE IS PRE-EMINENT IN THINKING OUT FUTURE INTERNATIONAL RESOURCE, TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. SUMITRO'S REACTIONS, WHILE GENERALLY FAVORABLE TO RECONVENING OF PREPARATORY MEETING, REINFORCED UNCERTAINTY EXPRESSED BY OTHER MINISTERS (REF A) THAT U.S. MAY NOT BE PREPARED TO SEE COMMISSIONS ON NON-ENERGY MATTERS PLAY ROLE OTHER THAN "MONITORING." HE STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF USG DEMONSTRATING THAT IT WANTS NON-ENERGY COMMISSIONS TO HAVE AS MEANINGFUL A ROLE AS ENERGY COMMISSION. END SUMMARY.

2. CHARGE AND ADCM CALLED ON RESEARCH MINISTER DR. SUMITRO JUNE 11 TO LEARN HIS REACTIONS TO SECRETARY'S PROPOSALS. SUMITRO NOW ENJOYS SPECIAL POSITION IN INDONESIAN POLICY-MAKING IN THESE BROAD AREAS AS RESULT OF HIS APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRMAN OF MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER (NIEO). HE HAS ALSO BEEN LEADING GOI OFFICIAL ADDRESSING FUTURE OF RESOURCE AND ENERGY MATTERS. HE PREFACED COMMENTS WITH PRECAUTION THAT HIS VIEWS ARE STILL PERSONAL AND MAY NOT ULTIMATELY BE REFLECTED IN GOVERNMENT POLICIES. HE SAID MID-JULY IS TARGET DATE FOR INITIAL COMPLETION OF HIS COMMITTEE'S EFFORTS TO FORMULATE INDONESIAN POLICY ON 7TH SPECIAL GA, NIEO AND RELATED MATTERS.

3. SUMITRO'S REACTION TO RECONVENING OF PREPARATORY MEETING ON BROADENED SUBJECT BASIS CONSISTENT WITH RESPONSES OTHER MINISTERS--STILL UNCERTAIN WHETHER U.S. WILLING HOLD MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS ON MATTERS OTHER THAN ENERGY. SUMITRO DESCRIBED HIS POSITION AS "YES, BUT...." HE SEIZED ON WORDING OF KISSINGER PROPOSALS CITING "MONITORING" ROLE INTENDED FOR COMMISSIONS ON RAW MATERIAL AND MSA, ADDING: "WE HAVE HAD THIS ALL BEFORE IN UNCTAD AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS. WE DO NOT NEED A NEW MONITOR."

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4. BY SAME TOKEN SUMITRO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT CONTINUED CONFRONTATION WOULD NOT HELP AND FELT U.S. PROPOSALS WERE POINTING AWAY FROM CONFRONTATION. HE SEES RECONVENED PREPARATORY MEETING AS POTENTIALLY HELPFUL IN IMPROVING ATMOSPHERE FOR UNGA SPECIAL SESSION--BUT ONLY IF THERE IS MEANINGFUL PROGRESS AND NOT A REPETITION OF PREVIOUS IMPASSE, WHICH WOULD RISK WORSENING ATMOSPHERE. HE THEREFORE URGED

CAREFUL PREPARATION.

5. ON POSSIBLE INDONESIAN ROLE IN LDC DELIBERATIONS RE U.S. PROPOSALS, SUMITRO STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF INDONESIA NOT APPEARING AS "NICE GUY" TO DEVELOPED COUNTRIES OR PARTISAN OF U.S. INITIATIVES. HE MUSED INCONCLUSIVELY OVER POSSIBLITY THAT ASEAN MIGHT PLAY HELPFUL ROLE, CONFIRMING THAT INDONESIA WOULD BE CONSULTING ITS ASEAN PARTNERS IN COURSE OF FORMULATING POSITION ON SECRETARY'S PROPOSALS.

6. IN DISCUSSING COMPOSITION OF COMMISSIONS TO TAKE UP PARTICULAR TOPICS, SUMITRO STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF INCLUDING COUNTRIES OTHER THAN MAIN PRODUCER/ CONSUMER NATIONS. HE SUGGESTED USG SERIOUSLY CONSIDER USE OF IMF VOTING WEIGHTS OR SDR ALLOCATION WEIGHTS AS OBJECTIVE CRITERIA WHICH COULD GUIDE SELECTION COUNTRY PARTICIPATION BOTH IN DIALOGUE GROUPS AND IN FINANCING OF PARTICULAR COMMODITY AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.

7. COMMENT. DR. SUMITRO IS ARTICULATE MINISTER WHO IS FOREMOST AMONG HIS COLLEAGUES IN GENERATING IDEAS AND CONFERENCES ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, RESOURCE AND COMMODITY MATTERS. THIS, PLUS HIS POSITION AS CHAIRMAN OF NEW GOI COMMITTEE, MEANS HE WILL BE KEY INDIVIDUAL IN FORMULATING GOI POSITION ON KISSINGER PROPOSALS AND ON NIEO. NEWSOM

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